

Room 703, Fidelity Building,

Baltimore, Md., May 23, 1906.

A special meeting of the Board of Public Works of Maryland was held this day at 11 a. m. Present: Governor Warfield, Comptroller Atkinson, and Treasurer Vandiver.

The Board met in conference, by arrangement, the Members of the Burnt District Commission of Baltimore City, of which body Chairman Swann, Mayor Timanus, and Messrs. Graham, Lord and Snyder were present, and took part in the discussion over the price to be paid the State by the City for the tobacco warehouse property at the southwest corner of Conway and Light Streets, Baltimore, fronting 103 feet on Light Street, by 80 feet one inch, more or less, on Conway Street.

After long and full discussion, participated in by all those attending the conference, an agreement upon the price to be paid for the property was reached, the amount being \$56,000 clear, and

On motion of Comptroller Atkinson seconded by Treasurer Vandiver, it was Resolved, That the Board of Public Works of Maryland hereby agree to sell to the City of Baltimore, through the Burnt District Commission of Baltimore City, the tobacco warehouse property on the south west corner of Light and Conway Streets, Baltimore, Maryland, fronting 103 feet on Light Street, and eighty feet, one inch, more or less, on Conway Street, to be used in the widening of Light Street at the price of \$56,000; an agreement to be reached with the Burnt District Commission of Baltimore City that the State of Maryland shall be entitled to use such material in and of said warehouse as it desires, and that the removal of the same by the State shall be completed by the 1st, of November 1906.

The Burnt District Commission immediately held a special meeting, and by unanimous vote agreed to purchase the property referred to above at the price named, viz, \$56,000. and by a mutual agreement and unanimous vote of the two bodies acting individually, the following understanding was reached, agreed upon, and adopted by the Board of Public Works of Maryland and the Burnt District Commission of Baltimore City, as a part of the minutes of the meeting of each of the two bodies respectively:

The understanding is, that the State of Maryland sells to the City of Baltimore its tobacco warehouse property on the southwest corner of Light and Conway Streets, fronting 103 feet on Light Street,

and 80 feet, one inch, more or less, on Conway Street, to be used in the widening of Light Street, at the price of \$56,000; and it is agreed that the State of Maryland is entitled to use such material in and of said tobacco warehouse as it desires, and that the renewal of the same by the State must be completed by the first of November 1906; and, if the State decides not to use all or any part of the material aforesaid, then the Burnt District Commission to be notified as soon as said decision is reached.

✓ The members of the Burnt District Commission hereupon withdrew at 12.35 p. m., and the Board of Public Works went into executive session.

On motion of Treasurer Vandiver, seconded by Comptroller Atkinson, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas the state of Maryland has received certificates allotting to it its pro rata share of 1505 rights to participate in the new issue of the common stock of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company,

And, Whereas, the State has no authority to make an additional investment in said stock,

Therefore be it resolved that the Comptroller and Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to sell the said warrants at the best price they can obtain for the same, and upon the sale of said warrants the Comptroller and Treasurer are hereby authorized to transfer and assign the same to the purchaser thereof.

On motion of the Governor, seconded by the Comptroller, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, the prevailing opinion in the State is that now is the time to sell the mortgage or annuity of the Northern Central Railway Company of \$90,000 per annum, the sale of the same having been agitated and discussed very generally during the recent session of the Legislature, and

WHEREAS, the attention of investors and the public has been attracted to the value of this annuity or mortgage as an investment,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Public Works of Maryland, that steps be at once taken to ask for bids for the said mortgage or annuity, and the Comptroller of the Treasury is hereby requested and authorized to ask the Attorney General to prepare a form

of advertisement, and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the bids for said mortgage or annuity be opened in the Executive Office at Annapolis, on Thursday, September 6th, 1906, at 11 o'clock a. m., and that each bidder be required to deposit with his or its bid a certified check for two per cent of the amount of the said bid.

On motion of the Comptroller, seconded by the Treasurer, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS the people of the State of Maryland are about to present to the Armored Cruiser "Maryland" of the United States Navy, a silver service, and

WHEREAS the historic events and places depicted upon said service are of great value, and said silver service will exploit the history of the State,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Public Works of the State of Maryland, that this Board expend the sum of two hundred dollars out of its contingent fund to aid the Maryland Cruiser Fund Commission in preparing and printing a pamphlet descriptive of the said silver service for general distribution.

Capt. T. C. B. Howard, Commander of the State Fishery Force appeared before the Board and stated that the Oyster Navy fund requires immediate replenishing, and the Comptroller offered the following, which was seconded by the Treasurer, and adopted:

WHEREAS, the receipts from the oyster fund have not been sufficient to pay the running expenses of the State Fishery Force, and

WHEREAS it has been found necessary to use large amounts of money for the repair of the two steamers of the State Fishery Force, - the Governor Thomas and the Governor McLane, thus creating a deficiency in the oyster fund, which said deficiency has been arranged for by an appropriation of \$15,000 in the general appropriation act of 1906, which said appropriation of \$15,000 will not be available until October 1st, 1906,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Public Works that Capt. T. C. B. Howard, Commander of the State Fishery Force, be and he is hereby authorized to borrow, with the approval of the Comptroller and the Treasurer from the Farmers National Bank of Annapolis, from time to time, such amounts as may be necessary to meet the expenses of the State Fishery Force between now and the first of

October, when said sum of \$15,000 will become available, such amounts borrowed not to exceed in any event the sum of \$15,000., and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that Commander Howard give as collateral for said loans an order upon the Treasurer of the State of Maryland, for the payment of the same out of the said \$15,000, which will become available on October first, each order for the repayment of such loans to be approved by the Comptroller and the Treasurer.

Mr. Frank A. Furst, President of the Board of Directors of the Maryland Penitentiary, appeared before the Board and stated that the plans for the new addition to that institution are ready for submission to the Board of Public Works, and, at his request, the Board arranged to go over said plans and inspect the Penitentiary on Wednesday afternoon, June 6th, at five o'clock.

On motion of the Treasurer, seconded by the Comptroller, the Board, at 1.35 p. m., adjourned.

R. S. Hart, Secretary pro tem.

Donald Gilgman
Secretary